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DEVICE*

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2003. Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time in view of 37 CFR § 1.7, as well as any other needed extension, and provide the requisite fee herewith. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 08-1641.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.